



**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
0290.00004

Re Application Of: **Robert B. Blake**

Serial No.

09/976,527

Filing Date

October 12, 2001

Examiner

C. Bartz

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3683

Invention: **TRAILER HITCH COVER ASSEMBLY**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 11, 2002 in the above-identified application.

*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: December 11, 2002

*Date*

until:

February 11, 2003

*Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	8 -	3 =	5	x \$42.00	\$210.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$210.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$205.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$415.00</b>

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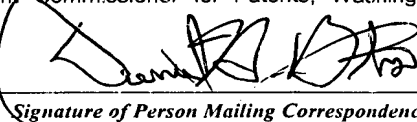
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$415.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$415.00  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2712  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-2712 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

  
Signature

Dated: February 11, 2003

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on February 11, 2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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